

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Amended claims follow:

1.-25. (Cancelled)

26. (Previously Presented) A coupling member for coupling a first section of trunking to a second section of trunking, the coupling member comprising:

a body having first and second elongate members, the body defining first and second surfaces adapted to respectively engage a first flange on a first section of trunking and a second flange on a second section of trunking, and a third surface connecting said first and second surfaces and adapted to provide a substantially continuous surface with respective external surfaces of said first and second sections of trunking in use; and

at least one connecting member for joining distal ends of said first and second elongate members.

27. (Previously Presented) A coupling according to claim 26, wherein said first and second surfaces have at least one retaining device adapted to retain said surfaces with respective first and second flanges.

28. (Previously Presented) A coupling according to claim 26, wherein said distal ends of first and second elongate members further comprise at least one retaining device adapted to engage at least one said retaining device in said connecting member.

29. (Previously Presented) A coupling according to claim 27, wherein at least one said retaining device comprises at least one hole adapted to receive a respective screw or bolt therein.

30. (Previously Presented) A coupling according to claim 29, wherein at least one said hole further comprises an internal thread therein adapted to engage a respective thread on said screw or bolt.

31. (Previously Presented) A coupling according to claim 26, wherein said body is substantially U-shaped and said connecting member is substantially linear.
32. (Previously Presented) A coupling according to claim 26, further comprising at least one guide device extending from a fourth surface, connecting said first and second surfaces and opposing said third surface, at least one said guide device being adapted to extend within at least one of said first or second trunking sections.
33. (Previously Presented) A coupling according to claim 32, wherein at least one said guide device is adapted to be bent towards internal surfaces of said trunking sections.
34. (Previously Presented) A coupling according to claim 26, further comprising at least one gasket seal.
35. (Previously Presented) A section of waterproof trunking comprising:
a body portion defining at least one inlet for a cable, and having at least one aperture for allowing access to an inside of said body portion, wherein the or each said aperture is adapted to receive a respective cover device thereon; and
a flange provided on at least one respective said inlet, extending internally thereof and adapted to engage at least one further trunking section.
36. (Previously Presented) A trunking section according to claim 35, wherein said aperture extends along more than 95% of the length of a side.
37. (Previously Presented) A trunking section according to claim 35, wherein at least one said cover device is a lid adapted to cover all of said side containing said aperture and to extend at least partially along two adjacent sides of the section.
38. (Previously Presented) A trunking section according to claim 37, wherein the or each flange extends from said side substantially perpendicular to said side.

39. (Previously Presented) A trunking section according to claim 35, wherein said flange is a single flange extending from all sides of the trunking section.

40. (Previously Presented) A trunking section according to claim 35, further comprising at least one guide device extending from said flange towards an internal section of said trunking section and adapted to extend within a further trunking section.

41. (Previously Presented) A trunking section according to claim 40, wherein at least one said guide device is adapted to be bent towards internal surfaces of said further trunking section.

42. (Previously Presented) A trunking section according to claim 35, further comprising at least one gasket seal attached to the or each flange.

43. (Currently Amended) A section of waterproof trunking comprising:
a body portion having at least one inlet for a cable, wherein at least one inlet comprises a respective open channel; and
a respective flange extending inwardly of at least one said channel and adapted to fixably engage at least one further trunking section.

44. (Previously Presented) A section of trunking according to claim 43, further comprising three substantially planar sides arranged perpendicular to each other.

45. (Previously Presented) A section of trunking according to claim 43, wherein side portions extend toward each other from two of said three planar sides and thereby define an opening to said open channel.

46. (Previously Presented) A section of trunking according to claim 43, wherein said trunking section is retained to a further trunking section by at least one coupling device.

47. (Previously Presented) A section of trunking according to claim 43, further comprising at least one gasket seal.

48. (Previously Presented) A trunking system comprising:

- at least one first section of waterproof trunking having a body portion having at least one inlet for a cable, wherein at least one inlet comprises a respective open channel, and a respective flange extending inwardly of at least one said channel and adapted to engage at least one further trunking section;

- at least one respective lid for covering said channel; and

- at least one coupling member for coupling said first section of trunking to a second section of trunking, the coupling member having a body having first and second elongate members, the body defining first and second surfaces adapted to respectively engage a first flange on a first section of trunking and a second flange on a second section of trunking, and a third surface connecting said first and second surfaces and adapted to provide a substantially continuous surface with respective external surfaces of said first and second sections of trunking in use, and at least one connecting member for joining distal ends of said first and second elongate members.